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A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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FOR SPINAL STABILIZATION

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated July 16, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed, enclosed herewith are fourteen (14) sheets of substitute drawings consisting of Figs. 1-31 in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. Applicant respectfully requests that the attached drawings be substituted for the drawings originally filed in this application.

No new matter has been added.

A fee for an extension of time is believed to be due for this submission and a petition for extension of time is submitted concurrently herewith. Should any additional fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

Respectfully submitted,

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